## City of Wichita, Kansas Americans with Disabilities Act Transition Plan

## **Emporia Park**

1143 N. Emporia

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|--------------|--|------------------------------------|---|---|---------------|--------|---------|--------------------------------|--|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|
| Location     | Identified Issue   | ADAAG<br>Specifications            | Recommended Correction  | Priority (overall)                          | Public Access | Freque | Photo # |                                | Support<br>Information   | Finalized<br>Correction | Date to be Corrected | Date Completed (Include initial) |
| 1. Play Area | A stable, firm and slip resistant surface does not exist leading to the swings (ground level play components). | 15.6.4<br>.1<br>(GAD<br>AAG<br>FR) | Since ADAAG does not specifically provide guidance on how to make play areas accessible, we are required to examine existing federal information, which is currently not part of the ADA and, therefore, not enforceable guidance. Two such documents exist; the Play Areas, Final Rule (PAFR), October, 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2000 (Play Areas Final Rule); and the New ADAAG, November 24 <sup>th</sup> , 2004, Chapter 2, 240 Play Areas and Chapter 10, 1008 Play areas (New ADAAG). In essence, both of the Play Areas Final Rule and New ADAAG are identical and both were created by the U.S. Access Board. According to PAFR, at least one of each type of ground level play component must be accessible and be located on an accessible route. Due to the sand surface, an accessible route does not lead to the swings. To ensure an accessible route surface, not requiring regular maintenance, which is also impact attenuating, we recommend that one accessible path of travel, as defined in (SEWFAPS), be installed which consists of either rubber tiles or poured rubber, leading to one of each type of each single ground play component We also recommend that a rubber surface be provided in the use zones of at least one swing. However, such rubber surface is not technically required by the available accessibility guidance, but may be required by the general program access provisions of Title II. (Note: A well maintained wood fiber surface is also considered accessible under the conditions that such surface is maintained regularly. | L   | M             | M      | 4       | \$2,00                         | For additional qualitative guidance we utilized "Guide to the ADAAG & Final Rule (GADAAGFR)" and "Stabilized Engineered Wood Fiber for Accessible Playground Surfaces, Final Report (SEWFAPS): Phase III, December 2004. (not enforceable) |                         |                      |                                  |

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| 2. Picnic Table | An accessible path of travel does not lead to the picnic table.  | AGS<br>APT<br>16.5.1<br>.1 | Technically, neither ADAAG nor the Recreational Facilities - Final Rule provide scoping for park benches. In addition, neither guideline provides specifications for what would constitute an accessible picnic table. However, the document titled "Accessibility Guidelines for Outdoor Developed Areas" does provide both scoping and specifications for accessible picnic tables. However, these Guidelines (AGSAPT) are neither final rules nor enforceable. Generally, we consider picnic tables and other park amenities for use by the general public to be services provided by local governments, which own or operate the park. Therefore, to ensure compliance with Title II's program access requirements, we recommend following the scoping and specifications provided by the AGSAPT to determine the accessibility of picnic tables. According to AGSAPT, section 16.5.1.1, requires that where one fixed picnic table is provided in a picnic area, it shall be accessible and comply with 16.5. Provide an accessible path of travel (concrete, asphalt or rubber) leading to the picnic table. This path should connect to the end side of the table to allow the user to be seated at the end of the table. |   | M             | M               | 1       | \$200                          | AGSAPT                 |                         |                      |                                  |
|                 | This is a highly accessible play area and all other aspects of this park comply fully with the provisions of ADAAG and the Recreational Facilities – Final Rule. |                            |  |   |               |                 |         |                                |                        |                         |                      |                                  |

## **Emporia Park - Conceptual Cost Projections**

| Total                | \$2,200 |
|----------------------|---------|
| Year One (Very High) | \$0     |
| Year Three (High)    | \$0     |
| Year Five (Medium)   | \$0     |
| Year Ten (Low)       | \$2,200 |